HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 299

By Hicks

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kassandra Beth Starnes, a 2017 Top Academic Achiever at Cherokee High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kassandra Beth Starnes is one such exceptional student who was recently named a Top Academic Achiever of the 2017 graduating class at Cherokee High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kassandra Starnes has achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Starnes earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular events, including Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), which she served as president; Student Council; Interact Club; and Beta Club. She also served as yearbook editor and played on the volleyball and swim teams; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and honors, Kassandra Starnes received First Place Gold Division in FCCLA District STAR events and First Place Silver Division in FCCLA State STAR events. She was voted Most Outstanding Freshman Girl and served as class president her freshman and sophomore years; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Starnes's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Steve and Glenda Starnes, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kassandra Starnes's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Kassandra Beth Starnes of Cherokee High School on being named a 2017 Top Academic Achiever, salute her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.